

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 3-8 and 10-12 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 3-8 and 10 are amended, claim 12 is added and claims 2 and 9 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Applicant sincerely acknowledges the Office Action's indication that claims 2-7 and 9-11 define patentable subject matter. However, for at least the reasons set forth below, Applicant respectfully submits all pending claims are in condition for allowance.

A. The Office Action objects to the drawings. Applicant respectfully submits that the Replacement Sheets attached to the Amendment obviate the grounds for the objection. In particular, Figs. 4 and 5 are labeled "Related Art" and an extra line after the display data processor 10 has been deleted from Fig. 7. Express approval of the drawing amendments is respectfully requested. Withdrawal of the objection to the drawings is respectfully requested.

B. The Office Action objects to claims 1, 3 and 5-9 for informalities. Applicant respectfully submits the above amendments obviate the grounds for the objection. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

C. The Office Action rejects claims 1-7 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Applicant respectfully submits the above amendments obviate the grounds for the rejection. Withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-7 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph is respectfully requested.

D. The Office Action rejects claims 1 and 8 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over U.S. Patent No. 6,414,657 to Kasahara et al. (hereafter "Kasahara"). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicant respectfully submits that subject matter indicated to be allowable has been incorporated into claims 1 and 8, respectively. For at least the reasons set forth above, Applicant respectfully submits claims 1 and 8 define patentable subject matter. Withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1 and 8 under 35 U.S.C. §102 is respectfully requested.

E. Claim 12 is newly added by this Amendment and believed to be in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, **Carl R. Wesolowski**, at the telephone number listed below.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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Amendments to the Drawings:

Amendments to the drawings include adding labels "Related Art" to Figs. 4 and 5 and deleting an extra line after the display data processor 10 in Fig. 7. The Replacement Sheets attached to this Amendment include formal drawings for Figs. 4-5 and 7.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets